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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: IS, LE, SY, PFOR
SUBJECT: SYRIAN FORCES IN AYSHIYAH

1. AFTER PROVIDING FURTHER ISRAELI RESPONSE MARCH 8 TO
IDEA OF UN FORCES IN SOUTHERN LEBANON (SEPTTEL) EVRON SAID
THAT ALLON HAD INSTRUCTED HIM TO POINT OUT TO ME THAT
THE WITHDRAWAL OF REGULAR SYRIAN FORCES FROM AYSHIYAH
(FOUR MILES NORTHEAST OF NABATIYAH) HAS STILL NOT BEEN
COMPLETED. IN RESPONSE TO MY QUESTION, HE REITERATED
THAT THERE ARE STILL SYRIAN FORCES SOUTH OF AYSHIYAH,
"SOUTH OF THE LINES THEY OCCUPIED ON JANUARY 23." ALLON
HAD RECALLED THAT A FIRST-PHASE WITHDRAWAL OF SYRIAN
TROOPS HAD TAKEN PLACE JUST PRIOR TO THE SECRETARY'S
VISIT AND THE ISRAELIS HAD UNDERSTOOD THAT HE WOULD
TAKE UP THIS MATTER IN BEIRUT AND DAMASCUS.

2. EVRON'S REMARKS ON THE LOCATION OF THE SYRIAN
TROOPS DOES NOT SQUARE WITH INFORMATION RECEIVED
MARCH 8 BY FOUR DEFENSE ATTACHE AT AN IDF BRIEFING.
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DATT WAS TOLD THAT SYRIAN FORCES WERE LOCATED AT AR
RAYHAN (2 1/2 MILES NORTH OF AYSHIYAH) AND NORTHWARDS
TO KFAR HUNAH, AND WERE OF "NO CONCERN."

3. COMMENT: WE WILL PASS ALONG FURTHER INFORMATION
AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE. JUDGING FROM ALLON'S MESSAGE,
IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE GOI IS WAITING FOR THE "NEXT

PHASE."
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